

West Virginia Project WET

- EDUCATOR WORKSHOP FACT SHEET -



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WATER EDUCATION TODAY

What is Project Wet?

Project WET is an international, interdisciplinary water science and environmental education program for educators of all sorts - public and private school teachers, water resource professionals, youth club leaders and many others. We believe that educators hold the key to empowering people to effect sustainable, positive change in local communities for the benefit of all water users.



Project WET's mission is to advance water education to understand global challenges and inspire local solutions. We achieve our mission by publishing water resource education materials, providing training workshops to educators at all levels, implementing water-focused education events, and by building a worldwide network of educators, water resource professionals, water scientists, and others to advocate for the role of water education in solving complex water issues.

How was the Project WET curriculum developed?

The Project WET curriculum was developed through collaboration of teachers, scientists, and resource professionals. The program correlates with appropriate state and national standards of learning, and strongly supports STEM principles. Since its inception in 1991, the USA network has trained millions of school and community educators to reach tens of millions of people of all ages with objective, science-based water resources education that fosters awareness and inspires action.

The Project WET program addresses atmospheric water, surface water, groundwater, cultural and historical uses of water, and contemporary water management issues such as stormwater management and nonpoint source pollution.

Project WET makes water education FUN and helps educators meet their objectives in an innovative way. The activities are designed to complement existing curricula rather than displace or add additional concepts in the classroom. Project WET activities are interdisciplinary, hands-on, and engaging to make water education fun for students and teachers.



How can I sign up for a Project WET Educator Workshop?

Contact your state coordinator to determine a date and time for the six-hour workshop. The workshop can be completed in one day or over the course of two days. Trainings can also be conducted online and tailored to a specific water topic and grade level.



Is there a cost?

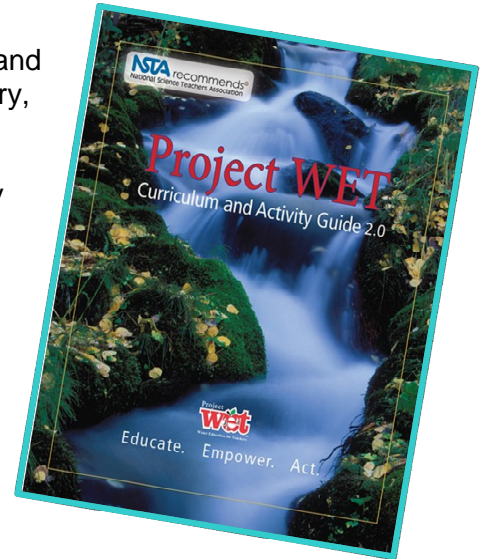
In West Virginia, Project WET training workshops are FREE. This is in thanks to our sponsoring organization, the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection.



Attendees of the Project WET Educator Workshop will receive:

1) The Project WET Curriculum & Activity Guide 2.0.

The award-winning, NSTA-recommended Project WET Curriculum and Activity Guide 2.0 continues Project WET's dedication to 21st-century, cutting-edge water education. Correlated to the Common Core Standards and NGSS, the Curriculum and Activity Guide 2.0 gives educators of students from kindergarten to 12th grade the tools they need to integrate water education into every school subject. The guide also includes numerous extensions for using the activities in Pre-K environments. Featuring 64 field-tested activities, more than 500 color photographs and illustrations, and useful appendices with information on teaching methods, assessment strategies and more, this guide is an essential tool inside and outside of the classroom!

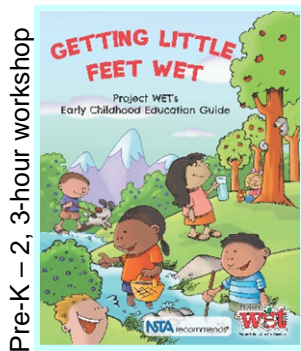


2) FREE access to the Project WET Water Education Portal.

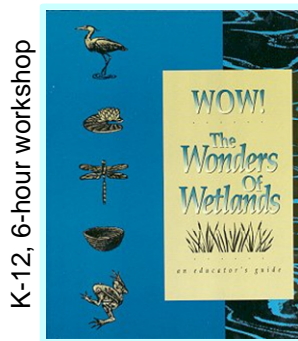
3) A certificate of completion for a six-hour workshop.

- **Water connects us all:** Water moves through living and nonliving systems and binds them together in a complex web of life.
- **Water for all water users:** Water of sufficient quality and quantity is vital for all water users (energy producers, farmers and ranchers, fish and wildlife, manufacturers, recreationists, rural and urban dwellers).
- **Managing water sustainably:** Water resources management is crucial for providing tomorrow's children with social and economic stability in a healthy and sustainable environment.
- **Personal responsibility for water resources:** Awareness of and respect for water resources can encourage a personal, lifelong commitment of responsibility and positive community participation.

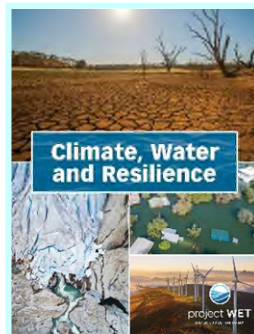
What other educator trainings are available through this program?



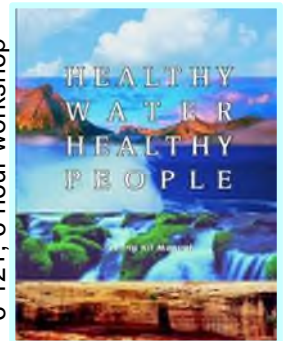
Pre-K – 2, 3-hour workshop



K-12, 6-hour workshop



6-12, 6-hour workshop



6-12+, 6-hour workshop



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